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Dear Sir:

I, Kenneth L. Shepard, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the inventor of the inventions as recited in claims 1-8 and 12-22 of the above-identified patent application;
2. The inventions of claims 1-8 and 12-22 of the above-identified patent application, among others, were conceived and reduced to practice in this country, prior to April 19, 1999 (Henceforth referred to as the "Critical Date"), which is the filing date of Chuang et al. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US2003/0078763 A1;
3. Prior to the Critical Date, I made an original submission of the inventions to the International Conference on Computer-Aided Design (ICCAD) on April 9, 1999. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a copy of the submission. The date is not shown on this submission. However, the UNIX time-date stamp shows the date as April 9, 1999. Additionally, the review submission deadline for ICCAD 1999 was April 9, 1999;
4. Also prior to the Critical Date, I made a presentation of the inventions. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a copy of the presentation. The date is not shown on this copy. However, the time-date stamp of this presentation was February 8, 1999;
5. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

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